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Letter dated 18 May 2000 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

On the instructions of my Government, I have the honour to refer to our letter of 18 May 2000 (S/2000/453) concerning the murder on Sunday, 14 May 2000, of peaceful Congolese villagers of the Katogota district in South Kivu province by troops of the regular army of Rwanda and to inform you that, according to sources which are mutually corroborating, the toll of this latest massacre is considerably greater than that reported in our above-mentioned letter.

My Government urgently requests from the Security Council:

1. The condemnation of Rwanda, which is responsible for this latest massacre;

2. An investigation to establish the facts and initiate judicial proceedings against the perpetrators of this crime;

3. The immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Rwandan troops from the territory of the Democratic Republic of the Congo;

4. The deployment, at the earliest possible date, of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC) in order to establish favourable conditions for the restoration of a climate of peace and tranquillity in the Great Lakes subregion in general and the Democratic Republic of the Congo in particular.

My Government calls upon the United Nations and the international community to help it liberate the Congolese people of the eastern provinces who are continuing to languish under the yoke of the occupation of my country by troops from Rwanda and Uganda.

I request you to have this document circulated as a Security Council document.

(*Signed*) André **Mwamba Kapanga**
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